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TEN CENTS A WEEK

## ONE SENATOR BLOCKS VOTE ON INCOME TAX

Efforts to Bring Income and Corporation Tax Amendment Up Next Tuesday Failed.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The Senate "came within one" yesterday of agreeing to vote next Tuesday on the entire income tax amendment to the tariff bill, including the corporation tax substitute. The compact was prevented by the objection of Senator Bulkley and his opposition roused no little feeling. The proposition took the form of a request from Senator Flint in the absence of Senator Aldrich, in charge of the tariff bill, for unanimous consent to vote on the Bailey-Cummins income tax amendment and all of the amendments to the amendment at 12 o'clock next Tuesday, with the understanding that the Senate should remain in session until all these questions should be disposed of. The suggestion created a general flurry in the Senate. There was the usual animated gathering in the center aisle. A number of Senators asked to be heard, and the proceeding for a brief time took on the appearance of a general conversation at a sewing bee.

One Senator after another expressed consent to the proposition until for a few moments it looked as if all objections would be brushed away and all factions satisfied. Just as the Vice-President was stating the agreement for about the third time, Mr. Bulkley loomed up and proceeded to say that he could not agree that the vote should be taken at the time specified. He did not then give his reason, and he was immediately beset by a dozen or more Senators in the hope of prevailing upon him to desist from his opposition. It turned out that while he was opposed to the corporation tax amendment this was not his real reason, but that he expected to be absent from the city next Tuesday and did not want the vote recorded while he was away. It seems that some of

Mr. Bulkley's constituents are very strongly opposed to the corporation provision and sharing in their feeling he desires to make as strong a fight as possible against the bill. He therefore desires to be on hand up to the last moment, and in view of the fact he expects to be in Connecticut with the President next Tuesday, he found it quite impossible to give his attention to the amendment on that day. He did not, therefore, change his mind but when the Senate adjourned many of the Connecticut Senator's colleagues were hopeful that he might be found more yielding today.

It was evident when Senator Flint made his proposition that the discussion of the income tax question had been almost if not quite exhaustive. There were yesterday several speeches for and against the measure, Mr. Borah leading off in favor of the income tax, but opposed to the corporation tax and Mr. Root following on the other side and advocating the corporation tax, but opposing the income tax. Other speakers of the day were Senator Clapp and Senator Owen favoring an income tax, with incidental remarks by Senator Flint and others.

It was evident throughout the entire day that the corporation tax question had failed to arouse as much interest in the Senate as had been expected it would and some suggestions were heard in support of a proposition looking to the postponement of the entire income tax question, including corporation tax and inheritance tax, until next session. The fact, however, that the President is so strongly urging the tax on corporations stood in the way of the acceptance of any suggestion of this kind and it was not seriously urged. The Senate at 4:30 o'clock p. m. adjourned.

### BRICK NOW ON GROUND.

Two Carloads Delivered to the Site This Week.

During the present week the Eddins Manufacturing Company have delivered two cars of brick on the site for the new Tucker building on West Union street.

It was the intention of these people to commence the work on last Monday, but the uncertain weather and the delay in securing the brick has caused them to be put out for another week. With favorable conditions they will commence the laying of brick then.

Some article that is simply "in the way" at your house might, if advertised, be sold to someone who is anxiously looking for it.

## Reorganization Plans of the Old Seaboard

NEW YORK, July 2.—Details of the reorganization plan of the Seaboard Air Line railway placed in receivers' hands some time ago were formally announced here last night.

The only securities that are to be surrendered for new ones are the general mortgage 5 per cent bonds of 1907, for which adjustment bonds are to be exchanged. The first mortgage fours are to be deposited so that they may be stamped at par later.

The road is to continue liable for its just obligations including guarantees of the bonds of subsidiary lines and it is intended to vest in the Seaboard Air Line railway by sale, merger or otherwise, the properties of the Birmingham Air Line railway, Atlantic, Suwannee River and Gulf Railway Company, Catawba Valley railway, Plant City, Arcadia and Gulf

railway, Roanoke and Tar River Railroad Company, Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad Company and the Tallahassee, Perry and Southeastern railway, and of all other railway companies, substantially the entire capital stock of which is owned by the Seaboard Air Line railway; except the properties of such companies as after careful investigation it appears more advantageous to operate under their separate organization. The chief issue of new securities authorized will be 4 per cent refunding bonds limited to a total of \$125,000,000 probably to be dated from January 1, 1910.

The other issue of new securities authorized is to consist of adjustment mortgage 5 per cent bonds limited to a total of \$25,000,000, these to be cumulative interest bonds probably dated November 1, 1909, payable in forty years.

## HEAVY RAINS REPORTED GENERAL OVER STATE

SIX INCHES RAINFALL IN LESS THAN TWELVE HOURS.

Washouts Reported, But Nothing Has Happened That Would Interfere With Travel.

The heavy rain which commenced in this city at about 11 o'clock on Thursday night and continued unceasingly until the noon hour of Friday was the hardest recorded in this section for a number of years.

During the above time there was a little over six inches of rain fall, and advices from all sections of the county were to the effect that it was general, having fallen at about the same ratio.

There are a number of washouts reported by the railway authorities in various places of the State, but nothing serious has happened as known of. All trains have been running on time, which shows that the railway people are anticipating and keeping a sharp lookout for all irregularities.

While the rain completely demoralized the business interests all over the sections affected, it has been of a great benefit to the country, for it will fill up a great many streams and will again assist in filling the ponds that sufficient water may be had for the cattle, this having become a problem in this county for the past few months.

Even should this weather continue, it will require many days to fill up all of the places, for while the rainfall has been great it is scarcely noticeable in the fields, the ground being so dry that it readily took up all that has fallen.

### The Record.

Following is the precipitation for this year, as taken by Weather Observer Hovey P. Bell, of this city:

Rainfall for—  
January ..... 3.15 inches.  
February ..... 1.71 inches.  
March ..... 1.88 inches.  
April ..... 1.02 inches.  
May ..... 1.82 inches.  
June ..... 4.42 inches.  
July—up to 7 a. m. July 2. 1.77 inches.  
July—from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m., July 2. .... 5.17 inches.

Making a total precipitation of 6.94 for the first two days of July. A few more such rains and the ground will be as thoroughly soaked as any old toper in this section.

### The Storm Elsewhere.

The rain storm seems to have had some wind connected with it both at Cedar Key and Fort Myers, judging from the numerous reports received in Gainesville.

At Cedar Key the rain was accompanied by a great deal of wind, which shook up the houses generally, in many instances blowing out the glass windows. The glasses in the windows of the passenger coaches of the Seaboard train were all blown out during Thursday night.

At Fort Myers, and all over the southern part of the State, the rain was heavy last week and the first of this week. Many rumors are current in reference to Fort Myers, some stating the town had been washed away, but a call at the Coast Line offices in this city showed that they were operating trains to that point. The first one for the past two days, however, was run on Friday morning.

All of the waterways have been stopped up during the dry weather, and in some places the water is reported over the rails of the roadway, but nothing is feared from this source, for it will quickly be absorbed.

The want ads. do more real estate business than all other brokers combined—in fact, they "start" most of the business that the brokers and agents finish.

If it's printed stationery you want, The Sun office is the place to get it.

## BODY FOUND IN RIVER MAY BE LEON SING'S

Murderer of Elsie Sigel May Have Committed Suicide Is Theory of Police.

NEW YORK, July 2.—Although complete identification was impossible last night, there appeared to be a strong probability that the body of a Chinaman, which was found floating in the Hudson river, in the upper part of this city last evening, was that of Leon Ling or William L. Leon, the murderer of Elsie Sigel. The man's height, weight and general appearance tallies with that of Leon Ling, but as the body was nude, except for a silk undershirt, and had been in the water for more than a week, a thorough examination will be necessary. Coroner McDonald, who was the first to inspect the body, believes that it is Leon's, as do a number of policemen, but until measurements and facial characteristics are carefully gone over the identification will remain a doubt.

If it is Leon, the cause of his death will be another mystery, although one theory, that of suicide, would appear reasonable.

In salient features the body bore a marked resemblance to Leon Ling. The teeth were good, as were Leon's,

the height about 5 feet 4 inches, which was Leon's height, and the weight 125 pounds, which was about Leon's. The age appeared to be about 25 or 30 years. Leon's age was given out by the police as 30. An autopsy will be performed today. The coroner's jury was unable to arrive at any conclusion as to how the Chinaman met his death last night.

Early yesterday morning Ung Yow, an inconspicuous, hard-working Chinese laundryman of the East Side, was found by his neighbors strung between two wash tubs with his head beneath the water of one, and his feet in the other. There were bloody finger marks on his neck, bloody foot prints on the floor and a knotted cord about the man's neck. In the cash drawer the police found 1 cent.

All attempts to connect the murder of Ung Yow with the murder of Elsie Sigel by Leon Ling, have failed. Investigation soon showed that Ung Yow was beaten over the head with flat irons, probably by more than one man, and then flung in the tubs. He probably died by drowning while unconscious.

### NOTES FROM BELL.

BELL, July 1.—C. C. Martin, our genial postmaster, has just completed a new cottage on Main street. A good investment, as houses are in demand.

The R. F. D. routes start today Route No. 1, North of the S. A. L. railway, H. Starling carrier; Route No. 2, South of railway, Albert Martin carrier.

Mrs. Frank Newman of Lafayette county is under the professional treatment of Dr. Philpot. It is hoped she will have a speedy recovery.

The continuous rains this week have been very disagreeable, accompanied with heavy winds.

The habit of answering ads. that appeal to you is one that will keep you interested in the life you are living, and prosperous.

If you have lost or found anything do not fail to keep your eye on the classified advertising column.

## Orv. Wright Successful In Aeroplane Flights

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Calm, confident and nerveless, Orville Wright late yesterday encircled Fort Myer drill grounds time after time in his aeroplane in three successful flights while a crowd of thousands cheered him for his success that attended his persistency and pluck. While the machine oscillated at certain points in its flights and dipped and rose suddenly at other points, it was evident from the regularity with which these things happened that they were due to the condition of the atmosphere and not to any fault of the machine. For the first flight the machine got away with a fine start. Down the field the aeroplane sailed, curved gracefully and came back up the east side of the field along the edge of Arlington Cemetery. The machine seemed to be behaving beautifully. The first round was made in fifty seconds. Five times the machine circled the field, attaining a height which varied from fifteen to thirty feet.

On the sixth round Mr. Wright came to earth within a few hundred feet of the starting point, completing the flight in exactly five minutes. The landing was perfect, the machine swooping down in successive glides until within a few feet of the earth when Orville pulled the string which stops his motor and the aeroplane glided smoothly over the grass on its skids until it came to a stop. The machine was returned to the

starting apparatus and again was placed in position and another flight was essayed. The start was as successful as the first. In the second flight Orville made much wider turns and rose to a greater height. Wright watched every detail of the flight with care.

It was noticed that at times the motor skipped, but this, too, seemed to have no effect on the progress of the aeroplane. The starting rail run downward into a little hollow in the field and when the aeroplane passed over this hollow it dipped noticeably and whenever it passed over a vacant space between two of the stables, it was seen to rise as though on a billow of air, but these atmospheric conditions were easily overcome by clever manipulation of the levers. On his second flight Orville made nine rounds of the field in a few seconds less than eight minutes. In his last attempt he remained aloft for a few seconds more than nine minutes and encircled the field nine and one-half times. For one complete round he flew very close to the ground, evidently preparing to land. This he did within two hundred feet of the aeroplane shed. During this flight he went higher than on his previous trials, reaching a height of forty feet. Just before making his landing the left wing scraped and grounded and raised a cloud of dust, but Mr. Wright continued to fly half way around the field before descending.